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Yoshitaka MISHIMA et al. et al.

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: Group Art Unit: 3761

: Examiner: JACQUELINE F STEPHENS

For: DISPOSABLE WEARING ARTICLE

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.
 Small entity status of this application has been established.
 Also attached:

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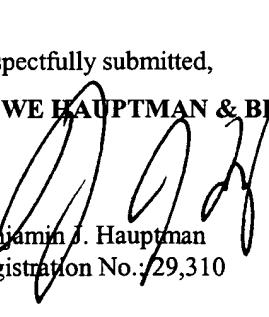
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Total Claims	16	22	0	x \$ 50 =	\$ 0.00
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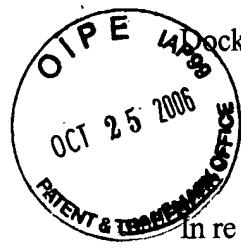
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Sir:

This paper is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed July 26, 2006, which was made Final. Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments **as to form** be entered to place this application in condition for allowance.

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